



CareerFoundry Programs

with university credit rating

| in partnership with Glasgow Caledonian University





About the Glasgow Caledonian University (GCU) credit rating

The UX Design and Web Development Programs at CareerFoundry have been credit-rated by Glasgow Caledonian University, a highly rated U.K. University, according to the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF). This means you'll complete a university credit-rated training program with CareerFoundry, and earn a credential that you can share with your university.

The GCU credit rating allows you to demonstrate to potential employers that the program you've completed has been examined by a trusted academic institution. In other words, it's proof that your knowledge of UX design or web development meets a rigorous professional standard. You'll graduate with a qualification that's respected by employers in the tech industry.

Glasgow Caledonian University is a vibrant, innovative and multi-award winning University for the Common Good, with a strong focus on graduate outcomes (ranked first in Scotland for work experience opportunities). GCU partners with the Scottish Tech Army to facilitate dual-impact initiatives: providing real-world project experience to tech workers by matching skilled people to community and social enterprises in need of tech development.

1.

Why Glasgow Caledonian University?

GCU is a forward-looking university that places a high value on links to industry. CareerFoundry's mission is to help our students into new tech careers, so we will pursue any avenue that helps us support student success. A university credit rating allows students to take a program with an agile, fast-moving and practically-based curriculum, while also securing the higher education equivalent of this study—which is invaluable if you're considering jobs with companies that view traditional educational institutions as superior to newer, "bootcamp-style" education.

This allows our students the best of both worlds—they graduate with skills that are rigorously benchmarked against up-to-date job listings, and taught by real, practicing designers, and developers, and they can have that skillset backed up with the credibility of a university education. GCU is selective in who they accept as credit partners—and CareerFoundry is pleased to have made the cut.

The SCQF is a world-renowned system for benchmarking and assessing tertiary education. Although based in Scotland, UK, this framework maps clearly onto many other tertiary education systems worldwide, including the European Qualifications Framework (EQF), the United States Network for Education Information (USNEI) and the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF), for example. The SCQF provides a mark of quality for our programs which is recognized worldwide.

2.

Credits you'll receive upon completing a CareerFoundry program

The **UX Design Program** at CareerFoundry has been allocated **90 SCQF credits at Level 8**. The **Full Stack Web Development Program** has been allocated **80 SCQF credits at Level 7**. All students participating in the UX Design Program or the Web Development Program that are located in the UK and have enrolled after September 28th, 2021, will be able to complete the credit-rated program (and the Job Preparation Course), and receive the graduation letter attesting to the credit volume equivalent.

Here are some estimates for how many university credits each program is worth at universities in several countries. You'll want to check with your specific academic institution to find out how they'll measure it.

UX Design Program

| Region | Framework | Level equivalent | Credit equivalent |
|------------------|--|------------------|----------------------|
| Europe | European Qualifications Framework (EQF) | Level 5 | 45 ECTS credits |
| Ireland | National Qualifications Framework (NQF) | Level 6 | 45 ECTS credits |
| Scotland | Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) | Level 8 | 90 SCQF credits |
| England | Office of Qualifications and Examination Regulation (RQF) | Level 5 | 90 credits |
| Northern Ireland | Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment (CCEA) | Level 5 | 160 credits |
| Wales | Credit and Qualifications Framework of Wales (CQFW) | Level 5 | 90 credits |
| USA | United States Network for Education Information (USNEI) | Associate Degree | Varies by university |
| Canada | Canada has provincial qualifications frameworks | Associate Degree | Varies by university |
| New Zealand | New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) | Level 6 | Varies by university |
| Australia | Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) | Level 6 | Varies by university |

Full Stack Web Development Program

| Region | Framework | Level equivalent | Credit equivalent |
|------------------|--|------------------|----------------------|
| Europe | European Qualifications Framework (EQF) | Level 5 | 40 ECTS credits |
| Ireland | National Qualifications Framework (NQF) | Level 6 | 40 ECTS credits |
| Scotland | Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) | Level 7 | 80 SCQF credits |
| England | Office of Qualifications and Examination Regulation (RQF) | Level 4 | 80 credits |
| Northern Ireland | Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment (CCEA) | Level 4 | 80 credits |
| Wales | Credit and Qualifications Framework of Wales (CQFW) | Level 4 | 80 credits |
| USA | United States Network for Education Information (USNEI) | Associate Degree | Varies by university |
| Canada | Canada has provincial qualifications frameworks | Associate Degree | Varies by university |
| New Zealand | New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) | Level 5 Diploma | Varies by university |
| Australia | Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) | Level 5 Diploma | Varies by university |

3.

How it works

Credit points are a way of showing how much time it takes, on average, to complete a qualification or learning program. They allow learners, learning providers and employers to compare different qualifications at the same or even different levels.

The number of credit points indicates the length of time it takes to complete the program. One SCQF credit point represents an average of 10 hours of learning time, indicating that CareerFoundry's UX Design Program lasts 900 hours and the Full Stack Web Development Program lasts 800 hours. SCQF credit points are earned by learners when they successfully achieve the learning outcomes of the learning programme or qualification. Although the actual amount of time taken by individual learners to achieve the learning outcomes may vary, this does not affect the number of credit points that are earned.

The level allocated to the program indicates the level of complexity of the program.

The level descriptors allow broad comparisons to be made between qualifications and learning and allow learners, employers, and the general public to understand the range of skills and learning that should be achieved at each level.

4.

What this means for your program

Nothing about the program itself will be different—you'll receive the same high quality education, mentorship, and support that we give all our students. But when you graduate from the UX Design or Web Development Program (and the Job Preparation Course) to receive the credit, you'll receive a certificate attesting to the equivalent volume of credit points your study has covered. You can include this certificate along with your graduation certificate in your resume or in other application materials as you go about your job search.

Note: Because the program doesn't involve enrolling in Glasgow Caledonian University (your enrollment remains with CareerFoundry), you'll graduate with a credit-rated professional certification. **Completing our UX Design or Full Stack Web Development Program will not result in a tertiary degree.**

Learn more

If you're interested in taking the next step and enrolling in the UX Design or Full Stack Web Development Program, simply [schedule a call with one of our program advisors](#) today. They'll answer your program-related questions and help you figure out what direction best suits your career goals.